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Anno Mariæ Primo.

Actes made in the

Parliament begun and holden at *Weſtminſter the ſecond day of Aprill,* in the firſt yeere of the raigne of our moſt gratious ſoueraigne Ladye Marie, by the grace of God, Queene of Englande, Fraunce, and Ireland, defender of the fayth, and there continued and kept to the diſſolution of the ſame, beyng the fyfth day of Maye then next enſuing, as foloweth.

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Forasmuche as the Imperiall crowne of this Realme, with all dignities, honours, prerogatiues, auctoritties, iuriſdictions, and preheminences thereunto annexed, vnited, and belonging, by the diuine prouidence of almightie God, is moſte lawfully, iuſtlye, and rightfully diſcended and come vnto the Queenes highneſſe that nowe is, beyng the very true and vndoubted heyre and inheritrix thereof, and inueſted in her moſt royall perſon, accordyng vnto the lawes of this realme: And by force and vertue of the ſame, al regall power, dignitie, honour, auctoritie, prerogatiue, preheminence, and iuriſdictions, doth appartayne, and of right ought to appertayne and belong vnto her highnes, as to the ſoueraigne ſupreme gouernour, and Queene of this Realme, and the Dominions thereof, in as full, large, and ample maner, as it hath done heretofore to any other her moſte noble progenitours kynges of this Realme. Neuertheleſſe, the moſte auncient ſtatutes of this Realme, beyng made by kynges then raigning, doo not onely attribute and referre all prerogatiue preheminence, power, & iuriſdiction royal, vnto the name of kyng, but alſo do geue, aſſigne, and appoynt the correction and punyſhment of all offenders agaynſt the regalitie and dignitie of the Crowne, and the lawes of this Realme vnto the kyng. By occaſion whereof, the malitious and ignorant perſons may be hereafter induced and perſwaded vnto this errour and folly, to thinke that her highneſſe coulde, ne ſhoulde haue, enioy, and vſe ſuch lyke royall auctoritie, power, preheminence, prerogatiue, and iuriſdiction, may do, ne execute and vſe al thynges concerning the ſayde ſtatutes, and take the benefite and priuiledge of the ſame, nor correct and punyſhe offendours agaynſt her moſte royal perſon, and the regalitie and dignitie of the Crowne of this Realme, and the dominions thereof, as the kinges of this Realme her moſte noble progenitours haue heretofore doone, enioyed, vſed, and exerciſed.

for the auoyding and cleare extyngwyshment of which doubt, and for a playne declaration of the lawes of this Realme in that behalfe, be it declared and enacted by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, that the lawe of this Realme is, and euer hath been, and ought to be vnderstanded, that the kynglye or regall office of the Realme, and all dignities, prerogatiue, royal power, preheminences, priuiledges, auctorities, and iurisdictions thereunto annexed, vnited, or belonging, being inuested eyther in male or female, are, and be, and ought to be, as fully, wholly, absolutely, and entyerly deemed, iudged, accepted, inuested and taken, in the one, as in the other, so that what or whensoeuer statute or lawe doth limit and appoynt, that the king of this Realme may, or shall haue, execute, and do any thyng, as king, or doth geue any profite or commodity to the king, or doth limit or appoynt any paynes or punishment for the correction of offenders or transgressours agaynst the regalitie and dignitie of the kyng, or of the Crowne, the same the Queene (being supreme gouernesse, possessour, and inheritour to the imperiall crowne of this realme, as our sade soueraigne Ladye the Queene moste fully presently is) may by the same auctoritie and power shee wolle haue, exercise, execute, sumyly, correct, and do, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, without doubt, ambiguitie, scruple, or question: anye statoute, vse, or scruple, or anye other thyng whatsoeuer, to be made to the contrary, notwithstandyng.

An act touchyng the articles of the Queenes hyghnesse moste noble mariage. The, ii Chapter.

WHere as moste instant suite hath been made to your moste excellent Maiestie on the behalfe of the moste noble and moste vertuous prince Charles, Emperour of Rome, &c. for mariage to be had betweene your highnesse, and his only sonne and heire, the noble prince Philip of Spayne, &c. whereupon to the pleasure of almighty God, to the comfort of your moste noble person, and to the great and singuler honour, wealth, benefite, and commoditie of this your Realme of England, and of al vs your moste humble and obedient subiectes of the same, there hath passed and been concluded in two sundry treatises, certaine pactes and couenauntes, touchyng the sayd mariage, with dependaunces and circumstances of the same, and in the one treatise these articles.

Fyrst, it is couenaunted and agreed, that as soone as conueniently maye be, true and perfect marryage by woordes of the tyme present

bee contracted, solemnised, and consummate in Englande, betwene the sayde moste noble Prince, and the sayde most vertuous Ladye the Queene. By force of whiche mariage so celebrated and consummate, the sayde moste noble Prince Philip, shall during the sayde maryage, haue, enioy, ioyntly togeather with the saide moste gratious Queene his wyfe, the style, honour, and kyngly name of the Realmes, and dominions vnto the sayde moste noble Queene appertayning, and shall vse her highnesse, beyng his wyfe, in the happy administration of her saide Realmes and dominions: the ryghtes, lawes, priuiledges, and customes of the same Realmes and dominions, being neuertheless preserued and mayntayned.

And specially it is prouided and couenaunted, that the sayde moste noble Prince, shal permit and suffer the sayde moste gratious Queene his wife, to haue the whole disposition of all the benefices, and offices, landes, reuenues, and fruites of the said Realmes and dominions, and that they shalbe bestowed vppon suche as be naturallye borne in the same. And that all the matters of the sayde Realmes and dominions, shalbe treated and mayned in the same tongues, wherein of olde they haue been wonte to be treated, and by the naturall borne of the same Realmes.

It is also couenaunted, that the same moste noble Queene, by vertue of the aforesayd matrimonie, shalbe admitted into the societie of the Realmes and dominions of the sayde noble Prince, aswel suche as he hath nowe presently, as suche other also as, during the same matrimonie, may come hereafter vnto hym. And for her dower, in case that her highnesse ouerlyue the sayde moste noble Prince her husbande, she shall yerely receyue threescore thousande poundes, after the value of fourtie grotes Flemyshe money the pounde, the same to be allotted and appoynted vppon all the Realmes, landes, and premoniall dominions of the sayde moste victorious Lorde Themperour his father, in maner and fourme following. That is to say, fourty thousand poundes to be assigned vppon the Realmes of Spayne, Castile, and Arragon, and theyr appertenaunces, in best maner that may be, and accordyng to the fashyon, vsage, and custome of the sayde Realmes. So as the sayd noble Prince do dye before her highnesse, and by reason therof the sayde dower come in vse, and take effecte, the sayde moste gratious Queene, shall, and may freely, without anye impediment, haue, take, and enioy the sayde fourtye thousande poundes, as is aforesayde. The other twentie thousande poundes shalbe appoynted vnto her highnesse vppon the Dukedomes, Earledomes, and dominions of Brabant, Flaunders, Heynolde, Holland, and other the premoniall landes and inheritaunce of the sayde Lorde Themperour in the lower Germanie, in lyke maner, as the Lady Margarete of England, some time wyfe and wyddowe of the Lorde Charles, of laudable memorie,

Duke of Burgondye, had, and receyued vpon the same, so as the sayde moste noble Queene surviuyng her sayde husbande, shall immediatly after his death vse, enioye, and possesse her sayde dower, so farre forth as no part thereof be alienated or obliged to others. And in case any part thereof be founde alienate or bounde to others, other landes or reuennes of lyke value, lyeing neare to the residue of the sayde dower, shalbe in due fourme assigned in the lewe thereof within the space of three monethes, whiche her highnesse shal vse and enioy in lyke maner and forme, as the sayde Lady Margarete of Englande before vsed and enioyed.

And least that amonges their children there might arise some strife for the succession, and thereby disturbe the fruite of perpetuall concorde that is hoped shall ensue of this matrimonie betweene the Realmes and dominions of eyther partie, the sayde succession shalbe ordered in maner and fourme folowyng.

Fyrst, that as touchyng the ryght of the mothers inheritaunce in the Realme of England, and the other Realmes and dominions depending of the same, the children, aswel Males as Females, that shalbe borne of this matrimonie, shal succeed in them, according to the lawes, statutes, and customes of the same.

And as touchyng the landes, that the sayde moste noble Prince shall leaue behynde hym. Fyrst there shalbe reserued vnto his eldest borne the Lorde Charles of Austriche, infant of Spayne, and to the children and heyres of hym descendyng, as wel females as males, al and singuler theyr ryghtes, whiche to the sayde Prince do eyther nowe, or hereafter shall belong, and shall at any tyme by the death eyther of the noble Queene his graundame, or the moste victorious Emperour Charles the fyfth his father (whiche God long deferre) be deuolued vnto hym in the Realmes of Spayne, of both the Scicyles, with all theyr appurtenaunces, in the Dukedome of Millaine, and other landes and dominions in Lumbardie, and Italy, whatsoeuer name and title they haue, whiche neuertheles shalbe burdened and charged with the aforesayde dower of .xl. thousande poundes. In whiche Realmes, landes, and dominions, the children of this present matrimonie shal pretend nothing so long as the sayde Lorde Charles the infant, or any issue of his body, lawfully begotten, do lyue. But if it fortune the same Lord Charles to dye, and the issue of his bodye to fayle, then and in that case the eldest sonne of this matrimonie shalbe admitted vnto the sayde ryght, and according to the nature, lawes, and customes, of the sayd Realmes and dominions, shall succede. The same eldest sonne shal also succede in all the Dukedomes, Earledomes, dominions, and patrimoniall landes, belongyng vnto the sayd Lord Themperour, as wel in Burgundie, as in the lower Germanye: that is to saye, the Dukedomes of Brabant, Luxenborghe, Gelders, Zuthphane, Burgundie, Frylelande, and the

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Countes of Flaunders, Arthois, Hollande, Zelande, Namures, the lande beyonde the Iles, and in al other whatſoeuer therevnto belonging, or anye wayes apparteynyng, with all their ryghtes and demaundes.

But yf the ſayd lorde Charles, or they that ſhall come of hym, ſhall remayne on lyue, and that there be by this matrimonie any male chylde, in that caſe the ſayde Lorde Charles, or his deſcendentes, ſhalbe and remayne excluded from the ſayd landes & pymonial dominions of the lower Germanye, and of Burgundye, and the ſame, with all their ryght, ſhal deſcende vnto the eldeſt ſonne to be borne of this matrimonie: and to the other chyldren that ſhalbe borne of the ſayd matrimonie, alwell males as females, a conuenient portion and power ſhalbe allotted in the realme of Englande and dominions dependyng of the ſame, and in the ſayd landes and pymonial dominions of the lower Germanie: and neyther the eldeſt ſonne of this matrimonie, nor the other ſonnes begotten in the ſame, ſhall pretende any right in the realme of Spayne, or other dominions dependyng of the ſame, and reſerued to the ſayde Lorde Charles the infante, otherwyſe then by their fathers or graundfathers diſpoſition ſhalbe geuen or left vnto them.

Moreouer, yf it fortune no male chylde to be borne of this matrimonie, but onely females, in that caſe the eldeſt female ſhall with full ryght ſucceede in the ſayd landes and dominions of the lower Germanie, ſo as neuertheleſſe ſhe beyng mynded to chooſe to huſbande anye man not borne in Englande, nor in the lower Germanie, ſhe doo contracte the ſame matrimonie by the counſell and conſent of the ſayde Lorde Charles the infante her brother, or els yf ſhe take anye man to huſbande, that is not borne in Englande, or in the lower Germanie, vpleuying the counſell and conſent of the ſayde Lorde Charles, in that caſe the ryght of the ſucceſſion ſhalbe and remayne to the ſayde Lorde Charles the infant in the ſayde dominions of lower Germanie, Burgundie, and their appurtenaunces, whiche in the caſe aforeſayd ſhal reuerte vnto him, or his iſſue, alwel males as females. And yet neuertheleſſe in that caſe both ſhe and the other daughters alſo deſcendyng of this matrimonie (no male chyldren remaynyng) ſhalbe endowed of their fathers landes and poſſeſſions, alwel of Spayne, as of lower Germanie, competently, and accordyng to the cuſtomes of the ſayd realmes and dominions.

And for want alſo of the ſayd lorde Charles, and the iſſue of him, and of other chyldren remaynyng of this matrimonie, but women, in that caſe the eldeſt daughter to be borne of this matrimonie, ſhall ſucceede not only in the ſaid dominions of lower Germanie & Burgundie, but alſo in the other realmes of Spayne, Englande, and the reſt, after the manere, lawes, and cuſtomes of the ſame.

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the aboue declared cases of succession, that whatsoeuer he or she be that shal succeede in them, they shal leaue to euery of the sayd realmes, landes, and dominions, whole and entire their priuiledges, rightes and customes, and the same realmes and dominions shall administer, & cause to be administred by the naturall borne of the same realmes, dominions, and landes, and in al thynges faythfully procure their vtilitie and quiet, and shal rule and nourishe them in good iustice and peace, accordyng to their statutes and customes.

Finally, that betweene the sayde Emperour, the Prince, and his successours, their realmes and dominions whatsoeuer, and the sayde most gratious Queene, and her realmes and dominions, there shalbe from henceforth an entrie and sincere fraternitie, vnitie, and most firme confederacie for euer (God wyllyng) happily to endure, so as they shall mutually one of them ayde another in al thinges, which to themselues, and their honour, and to the conseruation of their heires and successours shalbe most agreeable, accordyng to the strength, fourme, and effect of the latter treatie of a strayght amitie, bearyng date at Westminster, the yeere of our Lorde God, a thousande, fyue hundred, fourtie and two: the declaration of which treatie beareth date at Hatreght, the vii. day of Januarie, in the yeere of our Lorde God, a thousande, fyue hundred, fourtie and fyue.

And in another treatise these articles folowyng.

Fyrst, that the sayde most noble prince shal not promote, admyte, or receiue to any office, administration, or benefice in the sayde realme of Englande, and the dominions there vnto belonging, any stranger, or persons not borne vnder the dominion and subiection of the sayde most noble Queene of Englande.

That the sayde moste noble prince shall receyue and admyt into the seruice of his housholde and courte, gentlemen and yeomen of the sayd realme of Englande, in a conuenient number, and shall esteeme, receyue and nourythe them as his proper subiectes, and shall bryng none in his retinue, nor haue none with hym, that wyll do any displeasure or wrong to the subiectes of the sayd realme. And yf they doo, he shall haue power to correct them with condigne punyshment, and se them expelled his court.

That the sayd most noble prince shal do nothyng, whereby any thyng be innouated in the state and ryght, eyther publique or priuate, of the lawes and customes of the sayd realme of Englande, or the dominions thereunto belonging, but shall contrary wyse conserue and kepe to all estates and orders their rightes and priuiledges.

That the sayde Lorde Prince shall not leade away the aforesayd most noble Ladye the Queene out of the borders of her [illegible] realme, vnlesse she her selfe beleue it, nor cary the chyldren that shall be borne of his matrimonie out of the same realme of Englande, but in the

the hope of ſucceſſion to come, ſhal there ſuffer them to be nouryſhed and brought vp, vnleſſe it ſhalbe otherwiſe thought good by the conſent and agreement of the nobilitie of Englande. And in caſe that no chyldren being left, the ſayd moſt noble Queene do dye before hym, the ſayd Lord Philip ſhall not chalenge any right at all in the ſayde kyngdome, but without any impediment ſhal permyt the ſucceſſion thereof to come vnto them, to whom it ſhal belong and appartayne by the right and lawes of the ſayd realme.

Item, that the ſayd moſt noble prince ſhal not beare or cary ouer out of the ſayd realme, thoſe welles and pretious thinges of eſtimation, neither ſhall he alienate or do away any whit of the appurtenaunces of the ſayde realme of Englande, or ſuffer any part of them to be vſurped by his ſubiectes, or any other, but ſhall ſee that all and ſinguler places of the ſame, and ſpecially the fortes and frontiers of the ſame, be faythfully kept and preſerued to the vſe and profite of the ſayde realme, and by the natural borne of the ſame. He ſhal not ſuffer any ſhyp, gonnes, or inſtrumentes what ſo euer, of warre, or defence, to be remoued or conueyed out of the ſayde realme, but ſhall contrary wyſe cauſe them diligently to be kept and renued, when neede requireth, and ſhall ſo prouide, that the ſame may be alwayes redy in their ſtrength and force for the defence of the realme.

Item, that the realme of Englande by occaſion of this matrimony, ſhall not directly, or indirectly, be entangled with the warre that is betweene the moſt victorious Lorde the Emperour, father vnto the ſayde Lorde prince, and Henry the Frenche king, but he the ſayde Lord Philip, as muche as ſhal lye in hym on the behalfe of the ſayd realme of Englande, ſhal ſee the peace betweene the ſayd realmes of Fraunce and England obſerued, and ſhal geue no cauſe of any breach. By whiche couenaunt the letter treatice of a ſtraighter amitie, ſhall not be in any wyſe derogated, but the ſame ſhal ſtyl remayne in his vigour and force: ſaying alſo that the behalfe of his fathers other realmes and dominions the ſayd prince ſhal haue free power to ayde and aſſiſte his moſt noble father, as he ſhal thynke beſt in the defence of his lands, and reuenge of the iniuries he hath receiued.

Foraſmuche as we your moſte humble and obedient ſubiectes, the lordes ſpirituall and temporall, and the commons in this preſent parliament aſſembled, haue naturally, ſincerely, and deliberately conſydered and wayed all and ſinguler the ſayde couenauntes, graunttes, pactes, treaties, and agreementes, concernyng the ſayd moſte honourable and fortunate mariage betweene your hyghneſſe, and the ſayde moſt noble prince of Spayne, and the dependaunces thereof, and doo there vpon iudge, deeme, and iudge the ſame to be both honourable vnto your highneſſe, and commodious vnto the common wealthe of this your realme: Therefore we your ſayd humble and obedient ſubiectes, moſte

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humbly pray and beseeche your Maiestie, that lyke as it hath pleased your highnesse vpon your free and natural zeale and good wyl that you haue and beare vnto this your realme, and to your louyng subiectes of the same, to condiscende and agree, that all & singuler the sayd grauntes, articles, pactes, and agreementes, concernyng the sayd mariage, should be reuealed, opened, and declared vnto vs your sayde louyng subiectes in this your hygh courte of Parliamente: so it may also please your Maiestie, for the more perfecte corroboration and strength of the sayde articles, grauntes, pactes, and agreementes, and to thintent that the same may be the more inuiolably obserued and kept, that it may be enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that al and singuler the sayde articles, couenauntes, grauntes, treatises, pactes, and agreementes, had, made, and concluded, for and concernyng the sayde mariage betweene your highnesse, and the sayde Prince of Espayne, and all and singuler the dependaunces thereof before rehearsed, shal inuiolably after the sayde mariage had and solemnized, stande, remayne, and byde in perfect force and efficacie, according to the effect, sense, and true meanyng of the sayde treatie.

And where amonges other the articles aboue remembred, it is agreed, that the sayd most noble Prince shal, during the sayd mariage haue, and enioy, ioyntly togeather with your Maiestie, the style, honour, and kyngly name of the sayd realmes and dominions to your highnesse appertaynyng, and shall also ayde your highnesse, being his wyfe, in the happie administration of your realmes and dominions. (the rights, lawes, priuileges, and customes of the sayd realmes and dominions beyng nenertheleese reserued and mayntayned.)

And where also it is prouided, couenaunted, and agreed, amongst other the sayde articles in the sayde treatie, by, and on the behalfe of the sayde moste noble Prince, that the sayde moste noble Prince shall permytte and suffer your moste excellent Maiestie to haue the whole dispositon of all the benefices and offices, landes, reuennes and profites of the sayde realmes and dominions: And that the sayde moste noble Prince shall not doo anye thyng, whereby the estate and right eyther publique or priuate, or the lawes and customes of the sayde Realme of Englande, or the dominions thereunto belonggyng, be violated. For the more expresse explanation and declaration of the premisses, we your faythfull, louyng, and obedient subiectes, doo most humbly beseeche your highnesse, that it may be prouided, enacted, and established by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, that your Maiestie, as our only Queene, shal and may holy, and as a sole Queene, bee, haue, and enioye the crowne and soueraintie of, and ouer your realmes, dominions, and subiectes, with all the preheminences, prerogatiues, dignities, auctorities, iurisdictions, possessions, castels, manoures, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, belonggyng

longyng to the ſame, in ſuche ſole and onely eſtate, and in as large and ample maner and fourme in all degrees, actes, exerciſes, and conditions, from and after the ſolemnization of the ſayde mariage, and at al tymes duryng the ſame (whiche GOD graunt long to continue and endure) as your hyghneſſe nowe hath, vſeth, exerciſeth, and enioyeth the ſame, and as your grace hath had, vſed, exerciſed, and enioyed, or myght haue had, vſed, or enioyed the ſame, before the ſolemnization of the ſayde mariage, without anye ryght, tytle, eſtate, clayme, or demaunde, to be geuen, come, or growen vnto the ſayd moſt noble Prince, as tenaunte by the curteſie of this realme, or in, or by any other meane, by force of the ſayde mariage, of, in, and to your ſayde imperial crowne, ſouereignte, realmes, dominions, ſubiectes, preheminences, prerogatiues, dignities, auctho*r*ities, iuriſdictions, honours, caſtels, manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, belonging to the ſame, by any lawes, vſage, or cuſtome whatſoeuer: the ſayde mariage, or any eſtaute, cuſtome, preſcription, or other thyng to the contrary, in anye wyſe notwithſtanding.

And yet neuertheleſſe, that it may be enacted, ordeyned, and eſtabliſhed by the auctho*r*itie of this preſent Parliament, that all and ſingular gyftes, grauntes, letters patentes, exchaunges, confyrmations, leaſſes, and other wrytinges, whiche after the ſayde maryage, and duryng the ſame, ſhall paſſe, and be made of the ſayde benefices, offices, landes, reuenues, & fruites, or of any of them, ſhalbe entituled, ſet forth, and made in the names of the ſayd moſt noble prince, and of your moſt excellent maieſtie, whether the ſayde moſte noble prince ſhalbe preſent within the ſayde realmes and dominions, or within any of them, or abſent. And the ſame gyftes, grauntes, letters patentes, exchaunges, confirmations, leaſſes, and other wrytynges, ſo ſet forth and made, ſhalbe ſigned and fyrmed with the ſigne manuell of your hyghneſſe. And the ſame ſo ſigned and ſealed with the great ſeale of this realme, or with ſuche ſeale as hath been accuſtomed, ſhalbe by auctho*r*itie of this preſent Parliament deemed, adiudged, declared, and pronounced, to be as good, perfect, and of lyke force, ſtrength, and effecte in the lawe, to all intentes, conſtructions, and purpoſes, againſt the ſayde moſte noble prince, and againſt your highneſſe, your heyres, and ſucceſſours, as yf your excellent Maieſtie had been at the tyme of the makyng thereof ſole and vnmaryed.

And that all gyftes, grauntes, letters patentes, exchaunges, confyrmations, leaſſes, and other wrytynges, whiche after the ſayde maryage, and duryng the tyme of the ſame, ſhall paſſe, and be made of the ſayde benefices, offices, landes, reuenues, and fruites, or of any of them, wherevnto the ſigne manuel of your hyghneſſe ſhall not be ſet, made, or put, ſhalbe by the auctho*r*itie of this preſent Parliament, from

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tyme to tyme deemed, adiudged, accepted, taken, and decreed, to be of no force ne effecte, but vtterly frustrate and voyde in the lawe, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, the sayde maryage, or anye lawe, vsage, or custome, to the contrarye, in anye wyse notwithstandyng.

And that it may be also further enacted, ordeyned, and establyshed by the auctoritie aforesayde, that all commissions, instructions, pardons, wrytte of somons, prorogations, or dissolutions of Parliamentes, royall assentes, adiornementes of termes, originall wrytes, and other processe, instrumentes, licenses, iudicials, actes, and all maner wrytynges, other then the sayde gyftes, graunte, letters patentes, exchaunges, confyrmations, leases, and other wrytynges, concernyng, or in any wyse touchyng the sayde benefices, offices, landes, reuenues, and fruites, or any of them, after the sayde mariage, and duryng the tyme of the same, whether the sayde noble prince shalbe present within the sayde realmes and dominions, or within any of them, or absent, after the signyng by your maiestie of the warrantes or wrytinges of them heretofore vsed to be signed: shall passe, be set fooorth, and made from tyme to tyme in the names of the sayde most noble Prince, and your most excellent hyghnesse, by suche officers and ministers, and in suche manner, fourme, and order, as hath been vsed and accustomed to passe, be set fooorth, and made in the tyme or tymes of your graces most noble progenitours, or any of them: and shalbe by thauctoritie of this present Parliament, of the same and lyke force, strength, and effect in the lawe, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as yf your most excellent maiestie were then sole, and not maryed: the sayde mariage, or any lawe, vsage, or custome to the contrary, in anye wyse notwithstandyng.

Prouided alwayes, and that it may be enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that notwithstandyng this acte, or any thyng therein conteyned, it shalbe lawfull to the lorde Chauncelour, lorde Treasurer, lorde priuie seale, lorde Stewarde of the housholde, lorde Admiral, Iustices of eyther benche, and all other iudges, officers, and ministers of the courtes of the chauncerie, the Exchequer, the Marshalsie, Mastership and Liueries, the Duchie of Lancaster, the Admiraltie, the presidentes of the counsayles, the Iustices of forestes, and all other iudges, officers, and ministers of this your sayde realme, and dominions of the same for the tyme beyng, as well to make leases and graunte in the names of the sayd noble prince and of your hyghnesse, of all suche your maiesties landes, tenements, and hereditamentes, not being entre landes shyps or manours, and of al other thinges within their order, rule, and iurisdictiy, in suche lyke maner and fourme, as they, or any of them, have vsed, or myght doo before the maryng of this acte, by vertue of their sayde seuerall offices and roomes. So that vppon all and euery suche leases

the olde accuſtomed rentes, fermes, or yeerely profites thereof to be leuied, and payable yeerelye during ſuche leaſſes, and ſo that the ſame leaſſes exceede not the number & terme of one and twenty yeeres, and alſo to doo, vſe, and exercile by them ſelues, or theyr deputies, in the ſame offices and roomes, all, and euery other acte and thynges, whiche anye of them dyd, or myght lawfully haue done, vſed, or exercited by vertue and vertue of the ſayd offices, or roomes, before the making of this acte, as though this act had neuer been had ne made.

An acte for the repeale of two ſeueral actes, made in the ſeuenth yeere of kyng Edward the ſixth, touchyng the diſſolution of the Byſhoprike of Durham.

The.iii. Chapter.

WHere there hath been (tyme out of mynde of anye man to the contrary) a ſee of a Biſhop of Durham, within the North partes of this Realme of Englande, commonly called the Byſhoprike of Durham, whiche hath been one of the moſte auncienteſt and worthyeſt Byſhopriche, dignitie, and promotion ſpirituall within the ſaid Realme, and the ſame place, roome, and dignitie, alwaies ſupplied and furniſhed with a man of great learnyng and vertue, the whiche was both to the honour of God, and the encreaſe of his true religion, and a great benefite to that part of this Realme: Neuertheleſſe the ſayd Byſhopriche the parliament begun at weſtminſter the firſt day of March, in the ſeuenth yeere of the raigne of our late ſouereaigne Lorde, of famous memorye kyng Edwarde the ſixth, nowe deceaſſed, and there holden and continued vnto the diſſolution of the ſame, was without any iuſt cauſe or conſideration, by auctoritie of the ſaide Parliament, diſſolued, extinguiſhed, and determined. And further, by thauctoritie of the ſayde Parliament it was ordeyned and enacted, that the ſayd Byſhoprich, together with all the ordinarie iuriſdiction thereunto appertayning, ſhuld be adiudged from the ſayde firſt daye of the ſayde Parliament, vtterly diſſolued, extinguiſhed, and determined. And that our ſaid late ſouereigne Lorde the kyng, ſhoulde from thencefoorth haue, holde, poſſeſſe, and enioy, to him, his heires, and ſucceſſours for euer, all, and ſingular the ſeigniories, caſtles, manours, lordſhips, graunges, meaſes, landes, tenementes, medowes, paſtures, rentes, reuerſions, ſeruices, woodes, tythes, pencions, portions, perſonages appropriated, vicaredges, Churches, Chappelles, aduouſons, nominations, patronages, annuities, rentes, intereſſes, enteres, conditions, commons, leetes, courtes, liberties,

herties, pastilledges, fraunchiles, and other heerditamentes whatsoeuer, whiche dyd appartayne or belong to the sayde Bishoprichs of Durham, in as large and ample maner and fourme, as the late Bishop of the sayde Bishoprichs (meanyng to be the sayde late Bishop, the reuende father in God, Cuthbert Tunstal, nowe Bishop of the sayde Bishoprichs, who was then supposed to be deprined thereof) or any of his predecessours Bishops there, held, or occupied, or of ryght ought to haue holden or occupied in the ryght of the sayde Bishoprichs, together with al the issues and profites, rysing, commyng, and growyng of the premisses, and of euery parcel of the same, from the tyme of the supposed auoydaunce of the Bishoprichs.

And further it was by the aucthoritie of the sayde Parliament enacted, that all, and synguler the sayde honours, castles, manours, landes, tenementes, and other the premisses, should be adiudged and deemed in the real and actual possession of our sayde late Soueraygne Lorde the kyng, without any office, or other inquisition therein to be had and taken, as in and by the sayde acte of Parliament amongest other thynges plainely doth and may appeare.

And where also in the sayde Parliament, by one other acte of Parliament, it was ordeyned and establyshed by aucthoritye of the same, that the Towne of Gatesyde, and all the inhabitauntes of the sayde Towne, that then were, or hereafter shoulde be, and a parcel of ground called the salt meddowes, joynyng to the sayd Towne of Gatesyde, and harde by the ryuer there, and the whole water and bygge belongyng or appartenyng to the sayde Towne of Gatesyde, then beyng parcel of the possessions of the sayd Bishoprichs, & also of the liberties and Countie Palentine of Durham aforesayde, shalbe from thenceforth severed and diuided from the sayde Bishoprichs, and from the liberties and Countie Palatine of the same, and from thencefoorth shalbe vnited and annexed vnto the Towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne, and to be taken, deemed, and iudged to be within the Countie and Shyre of the sayde Towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne, and to be reputed and taken, as part, parcel, and member of the sayde towne of Newcastle, and that the inhabitauntes of the sayde Towne of Gatesyde, shalbe vnder the rule, gouerment, and correction of the Maior and Burgesses of the sayde Towne of Newcastle, as other inhabitauntes of the sayde Towne of Newcastle then were, or of ryght ought to be, as in and by the sayde other acte amongest other thynges more at large doth and maye appeare. The whiche seuerall Actes and estaunutes were compassed and brought to passe in the tender yeeres and minoritie of our sayd late Soueraigne Lord the kyng, by the sinister labour, malice, and corrupt meanes of certayne ambitious persons, then beyng in aucthoritie, rather for to enryche them selues, and their frendes with a great parte of the possessions of the sayde Bishoprichs,

[illegible] occasion of godly zeale. And although the sayde deprivation of the sayde reuerend father from the sayde Bysshoppricke, proceeded [illegible] vppon vntrue surmyses, and false accusations, of suche as [illegible] entysed and procured them into by the spyrite and co[illegible] of the sayde ambitious prelate, as it hath pleased [illegible], vpon [illegible] and mature examination of the cause of the sayde deprivation, by [illegible] the Queenes hyghnesse Commissioners, by force of [illegible] Commission, manifestly and playnely appeared vnto them, that the sayde sentence of deprivation, pronounced against the sayde [illegible] is altogether repelled, reuersed, and made frustrate, to all ententes and purposes, as by a certayne instrument autentike more at large [illegible]. And albeit also it hath pleased the Queenes moste excellent Maiestie, of her moste godly zeale, and vertuous disposition, to restore and establyshe agayne by her moste gracious letters patentes, the sayde Bysshoppricke of Duresme, and lately endowed also the same with [illegible] honours, manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, as well of her hyghnesse landes and possession by force of the sayde two seuerall [illegible]: and hath by the sayde letters patentes, geuen and disposed the sayde Bysshoppricke, and the sayde possessions, vnto the sayde reuerend father in God Cuthbert, nowe Bysshop of Duresme, and to his [illegible]: yet the sayde reuerende father in God, Cuthbert, now Bysshop of Duresme, notwithstanding the repeale of the sayde sentence of deprivation, can not by vertue thereof, nor by force of the sayde letters patentes, haue, possesse, and enioye, to him, and to his successors, all [illegible] honoures, manours, landes, tenementes, priuiledges, [illegible] liberties, fraunchises, and other hereditamentes the which by vsing vnto the sayde Bysshoppricke before the making of the sayde two seuerall statutes, in as large and ample manner, as he dyd or ought, or shoulde haue done yf the sayde two seuerall statutes had not [illegible]: for that the sayde two seuerall statutes remayne yet in their perfect force and effect. In consideration of al which premisses, be it therefore enacted, ordeyned, and established by the Queene our [illegible] gne Lady, by the assent of the Lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons of this present Parliament assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that the sayde two seuerall statutes or actes of Parliament, and eyther of them, and all and every braunches and articles, sentences, clauses, and matters, in the sayde seuerall statutes or actes of Parliament, and eyther of them, conteyned, shalbe from hence forth admichilated, repealed, and vtterly voyde, and of none effect, to all ententes, constructions, and purposes, as well against our sayde Soueraigne Ladye the Queene, her heyres and successores, as against all other person and persons, bodyes polityke and corporate, and every of them, as though the sayde seuerall statutes or actes of Parliament, and eyther of them, had neuer been had or made: any thyng or thynges

in the sayde acte, or eyther of them conteyned to the contrarye thereof in anywyse, notwithstanding.

And be it also further ordeyned and enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that there shalbe, as well from the last of Februarye, in the tenth yeere of the raigne of our sayde late Soueraigne Lorde, as hencefoorth, a Bishoprike and see, named, and called by the name of the Bishoprike of Durham, and that the sayde Bishoprike of Durham, before extinguished by force of the sayde Statute of Dissolution, shalbe nowe by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, fully and wholly reuiued, erected, and made, to all intentes and purposes, as it was of olde tyme vsed and accustumed before the making of the sayde seuerall actes, or eyther of them, as though the sayde seuerall actes, or eyther of them, had neuer been made. And that there shall from the sayde last day of Februarye, in the sayde tenth yeere, and nowe from hencefoorth, continue and be reuiued, united incorporated and ioyned to the sayde Bishoprike, all and singuler the same episcopall, ecclesiasticall, and ordinarie iurisdictions, preheminences, dignities, and auctorities, as al and singuler suche, and the same temporal auctorities, preheminences, iurisdictions, liberties, franchises, prerogatiues royal, Iura Regalia, Comitia Palatine, rightes, styles, and interestes, of what natures, kyndes, sortes, and qualities soeuer they be. And that also there shalbe vnited, annexed, incorporated, and ioyned vnto the sayde Bishoprike, all and eyther the sayde Towne of Gatesyde, the sayde saide meddowes, water, and bridge, as al & singuler honours, castles, mannours, lordshipps, graunges, meases, landes, tenementes, meddowes, pastures, rentes, reuersions, seruices, woodes, tithes, pensions, portions, personages, appropriate vicaradges, churches, chappels, aduousons, nominations, presentacions, annuities, entries, conditions, commons, leetes, courtes, leetes, pastures, appertenances, and other possessions, and hereditamentes whatsoeuer, whiche were belonging and appertayning to the sayde late Bishoprike, or were parte, parcel, or member of the possessions of the sayde late Bishoprike, the fourteenth daye of September, in the sixth yeere of the raigne of our sayde late Soueraigne Lorde the kyng, the sayde seuerall estatutes or actes of Parliament, or anye thyng in them, or eyther of them conteyned, or any graunte, letters patentes, confyrmations, executions, or other deuises made by our sayde late Soueraigne Lord the kyng, sythence the sayde fourteenth day of September in anye wyse, notwithstanding.

And be it further ordeyned and enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that the sayde reuerende father in God, Cuthbert Tunstall, nowe called Bishop of Durham aforesayde, shall as well from the sayde fourteenth daye of September, in the sayde sixth yeere of our sayde late Soueraigne Lorde the kyng, as from hencefoorth, be deemed, taken, and

ſayd Bythop of the ſayd Bythoprycke of Durham. And alſo that the ſayd reuerend father in God, ſhal haue, hold, poſſede, and enioy to him, and his ſucceſſours, Bythops of Durham aforeſayde, as in the ryght of the ſayde Bythoprycke for euer, al and ſyngular the ſayde epiſcopall, eccleſiaſtical, ſpirituall, and ordinarie iuriſdictions, preheminences, [illegible], and auctheorities. And the ſayde Towne of Gateſyde, ſaltewaters, waters, and bryage, and al and ſyngular the ſayde honours, caſtles, manours, lordſhyppes, graunges, meaſes, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuerſions, ſeruices, woodes, tythes, penſions, portions, perſonages appropriated, vicaredges, Churches, chapelles, aduouſons, nominations, patronages, annuities, rightes, entrees, entrees, conditions, commons, leetes, courtes, liberties, preeminences, fraunchiſes, prerogatiues royall, Countie Palatine, Iura regalia, ſeignories, and all other poſſeſſions, and hereditamentes whatſoeuer, as large and ample maner and fourme, to all intentes, conſtructions and purpoſes, as the ſayde reuerende father in God, as Bythop of the ſayde late Bythoprycke of Durham aforeſayde, had, helde, or enioyed, or ought, or myght lawfully haue had, holden, or enioyed the ſame, in the ſayde fourteenth day of September, in the ſyxth yeere aforeſayd, the ſayd ſuppoſed pronounced depriuation, pronounced againſt him, or the ſayde ſeuerall eſtatutes, or actes of Parliament, or eyther of them to the contrary, notwithſtandyng.

And that the ſayde reuerende father, ſhall, and maye haue, leuye, take, and receyue to his only vſe and profite, all the rentes, reuenues, fermes, commodities, emolumentes, caſualties, and profites whatſoeuer, of the perſon or perſons, and in whoſe handes ſoeuer the ſame remayne, whiche haue come, growen, or ryſen, of, for, or by reaſon of the ſayde Bythoprycke, and other the premiſſes, or of any parte or parcel of the ſame, ſythence the ſayde fourteenth day of September. And that he ſhall haue all and ſyngular the ſame, and lyke aduantages, remedies, actions, and ſuites, for the leuying, recouerie, and obteynyng of the ſaid rentes, reuenues, fermes, commodities, emolumentes, caſualties, and profites, as the ſayde reuerende father ſhoulde haue had or vſed for the recouerie, leuying, and obteynyng of the ſame, yf the ſame Bythoprycke had ſtyll contynued, and had his beyng, and his landes and poſſeſſion as Bythop thereof, and as though the ſayde ſuppoſed depriuation, and all ſayde ſeuerall actes or eſtatutes, or eyther of them, had neuer been had or made.

And be it further enacted by the auctheorytie aforeſayde, that as well al and ſyngular the aforeſayde epiſcopall, eccleſiaſticall, ſpirituall, and temporall iuriſdictions, preheminences, and auctheorities, as the ſayde temporall iuriſdictions, auctheorities, honours, caſtles, manoures, lordſhyppes, graunges, meaſes, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuerſions, ſeruices, aduouſons, perſonages, patronages, tythes, penſions, portions,

ryghtes, entrees, conditions, Iura regalia, liberties, prerogatiues royal, Countie Palatine, fraunchises, and hereditaments, and the said towne of Gateshyde, and all other the premisses, with al and singuler their appurtenances, shalbe adiudged and deemed to be in the actuall and real all possession and seasen of the sayde reuerende father, Cuthbert [illegible] shall (as Bysshop of the sayde Bishoprieke of Durham) as wel against our sayde Soueraigne Lady the Queene, her heyres and successours, as agaynst al other person or persons, bodyes politike and corporate. And that the sayde reuerende father shalbe adiudged and deemed incumbent and Bysshop of the sayde Bysshoprieke, alwayes from the sayde fourteenth day of September, hytherto, as though the sayde acte or acte of Parliament, depriuation, or any other let, occasion, or impediment, had neuer been had, made, or doone.

And be it further ordeyned and enacted by thauthoritie aforesaide, that as wel the sayde reuerende father, his executours, and administratours, as the sayde Bysshoprieke, shalbe discharged against our Soueraigne Lady the Queene, her heyres and successours, of the fyrst fruites of the sayde Bysshoprieke, and the possessions of the same, by reason of this acte or statute.

Sauyng to all and euerye person and persons, bodyes politike and corporate, and theyr heyres and successours, and the heyres and successours of euerye of them, other then our sayde Soueraigne Lady the Queene, and her heyres, successours, and the Maior and Burgesses of the sayde Towne of Newcastle vppon Tyne, and their successours, assignes, and suche person and persons as pretende to haue any of the foresayde manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, annuities, offices, commons, lybertyes, and other hereditamentes, or any of them, or anye parte or parcell of them, or anye rentes, offices, fees, or other profites, gooeyng or yssuyng out of the sayde manours, and other the premisses, or anye parcell of them, or anye tytle or interesse, in, or to the same, by the gyfte, graunt, or grauntes of our sayde late Soueraigne Lorde kyng Edwarde the syxth, or by his patent or patentes, or by the gyfte, graunt, or grauntes of the sayde maior, and Burgesses, or of anye of them, and other then such as claymeth, by, or vnder the tytle of our sayde late Soueraigne Lorde the kyng, by reason of the sayde actes of Parliament, or either of them, sythence the sayde fourteenth daye of September, al such right, tytle, interesse, possession, rentes charges, rentes seruices, annuities, leasses, fermes, offices, pentions, portions, tythinges, lyuinges, corrodies, commons, liberties, fraunchises, fees, synodes, profits, and other profytes, whiche they or any of them haue, or may clayme, ought, maye, or myght haue had, in or to the premisses, or anye parte or parcell thereof, in suche lyke maner, fourme, and condition, to all intents, respects, constructions, & purposes, as they had, enioyed, might, ought

ought or ſhoulde haue had or enioyed, before the foreſayde fourteenth day of September, in the ſyxth yeere aboue ſayde, and as yf the ſaide acte of Parliament or eſtatutes had neuer been hadde ne made.

Prouided alwayes, and be it further ordeyned and enacted by the authoritie aforeſayde, that our Soueraigne Ladye the Queene, her heyres and ſucceſſours, ſhall at all and euery tyme and tymes, when the ſaide Byſhoprieke ſhall hereafter become voyde, haue the nomination, preferment, and gyft of the ſayde Byſhoprieke, in lyke manner and forme, as her highneſſe, her heyres or ſucceſſours may or ought to do with anye other Byſhoprieke within this realme. And alſo ſhall from the ſayd fourteenth day of September, in the ſayd ſyxth yeere, haue yerely the tenthes of the premiſſes, and ſuche other lyke rentes, fermes, commodities, and profites, as ſhoulde haue been payde, done, or made, for the premiſſes, or anye parte thereof, to our ſayde late Soueraigne Lorde the kyng, or to our ſayde Soueraigne Lady the Queene, as yf the ſayde Byſhoprieke had ſtyll continued in his being not diſſolued, and as though the ſayde reuerende father hadde continued ſtyll Byſhoppe thereof: and that at euery auoydaunce of the ſayde Byſhoprieke from henceforth, our ſayde Soueraigne Lady the Queene, her heyres and ſucceſſours, ſhall haue the mayne profites of the ſayd Byſhoprieke, duryng euery vacation thereof, and the fyrſt fruites of the ſayde Byſhoprieke, and of the poſſeſſions thereof, in lyke maner and fourme as her highneſſe, or her heyres or ſucceſſours, ſhoulde, or ought to haue had in the ſayde Byſhoprieke, and as yf the ſame Byſhoprieke had neuer been diſſolued, or extinguyſhed: any thyng or thynges in the ſayde two former actes of Parliament, or in eyther of them, or in this preſent acte of Parliament conteyned to the contrary thereof, in anye wyſe notwithſtandyng.

Prouided alwayes, and be it further ordeyned and enacted by the authoritie aforeſayde, that this preſent acte of Parliament, and anything therein conteyned, ſhall not by any maner of meanes extende to enlarge vnto our ſayde reuerende father: and to his ſucceſſours, Byſhoppes of Durham aforeſayde, one Capitall Meſſuage, or Manſion houſe, called Coldeherborowe, ſet, and beyng in Thames ſtreete, in the paryſhe of Allhallowes the leſſe, within the Citie of London, or the houſes, buyldynges, landes, gardeynes, orchardes, commodities, and profites to the ſayde Capitall Meſſuage belonging or appertaynyng, or to fyue Meſſuages or tenementes, with all Sellers, Soollers, Shoppes, Gardeynes, and Orchardes thereunto belongyng, with their appurtenaunces, ſette, and beyng in the paryſhe of Allhallowe barkyng, within the ſayde Citie of London, or to three Meſſuages or Tenementes, with all Sellers, Soollers, and Gardeynes,

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thereunto belonging, with their appurtenaunces, ſet, and beyng in the paryſhe of Graſechurche in London aforeſayd, or any of them: al which ſayde Capital Meſſuage, and other the premiſſes, ſette and beyng within the ſayde Citie of London, were in the poſſeſſions, or occupacion of the ſayde reuerende father, or his aſſignes, in the ſayde fourteenth daye of September, in the firſth yeere of the raygne of our ſayde late Soueraigne Lorde the kynge, nor that this ſayde acte, nor anye thyng therein conteyned ſhall not in any wyſe extende to vnite and ioyne the ſayde Capitall Meſſuage, and other the ſayde Meaſes, Tenementes, and other the ſayde premiſſes, ſette and beyng in the ſayde Citie of London, to be part, parcell, or member of the ſayde Biſhoprieke of Durham, nor ſhalbe in any wyſe hurtful, or preiudicial vnto Frauncis now Earle of Shrewſburie, his heyres, or aſſignes, but that the ſayd Earle, his heyres or aſſignes, ſhall and may haue, holde, and enioy the ſame Capitall Meſſuage, or Manſion houſe, called Coldeherborowe, and all other the ſaide Meaſuages, houſe, tenementes, and hereditamentes, and euery part and parcell of them, laſte before remembred, ſette, and beyng within the ſayde Citie of London, againſt the ſayde Biſhoppe, and his ſucceſſours, in as large and ample maner and fourme, as the ſayde Capitall Meſſuage, and other the ſayde premiſſes within the ſayd Citie, ſythens the foreſayde tyme of the diſſolution or extinguiſhment of the ſayde Biſhoprieke were geuen and graunted vnto the ſayde Earle, his heyres and aſſignes, by our ſayde late Soueraigne Lorde kyng Edwarde the ſyxt, by his letters patentes, vnder his great Seale of England, accordyng to the true purporte, intente, and effect of the ſayde letters patentes, and in lyke maner and fourme, as he or they ſhoulde, or myght haue doone, yf this preſent acte had neuer been had or made, any thyng in the ſayde acte conteyned to the contrary, notwithſtandyng.

In recompence and for ſatiſfaction of the whiche houſe, called Coldherborowe, and of other the ſaid landes, tenementes, & hereditamentes, ſo geuen and aſſured vnto the ſayde Earle of Shrewſbury, the ſayde reuerende father in God, moſt humbly beſeeche the Queenes moſt excellent Maieſtie, that it may lyke the ſame, to aſſigne, geue, and aſſigne vnto the ſayde Biſhop, and to his ſucceſſours, ſuche other houſe, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, of lyke value and goodneſſe, as ſhall ſeeme vnto her hyghneſſe to be meete and conuenient, the aſſurance of the which recompence, after it ſhal be limitted and aſſigned by our ſayd Soueraigne Lady the Queene, ſhalbe at the only coſtes and charges of the ſayde Biſhop of Durham, or of his ſucceſſours, any thyng before remembred to the contrary, notwithſtandyng.

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An acte for the eſtabliſhing of the office of the Lorde Stewarde of the Queenes moſte honourable houſholde.

The.iiii. Chapter.

Here in the ſeſſion of a Parliament holden at Weſtminſter, the xxvii. yeere of the raigne of the late kyng of moſt famous memorie kyng Henrie the eyght, it was amongeſt other thynges, with the aſſent of the lordes ſpirituall and temporall, and the commons in the ſayde Parliament aſſembled, enacted, and eſtabliſhed, that Charles late Duke of Suffolke, then hauing the office of great maiſter of the kynges houſholde, or graundmaiſter d' hoſtel du roy, and all other who after that tyme ſhoulde haue the ſayde office by thate name or name of them, ſhoulde haue, vſe, and enioy all ſuche, and ſuche lyke preeminence, auctorities, priuileges, and iuriſdictions, in as large and ample manner, fauiion, fourme, and condition, as the Lorde Stewarde of the kynges houſholde, by vertue of the office, and in name of Lorde Stewarde, had, vſed, or ought to haue vſed or had, by reaſon of any cuſtome, vſage, ſtatutes, or common lawes of this realme, and as if the ſayde Duke and ſuche other as ſhoulde haue the ſayde office, had been called and named Lorde Stewarde of the kynges houſholde, as more playnely at large may appeare by the ſayde ſtatute.

Foraſmuche as it hath nowe pleaſed the Queenes Maieſtie, to reduce, alter, and chaunge the name of the great maiſter of her hyghneſſe moſte honourable houſholde, or graundmaiſter d'hoſtel du roy, into the name of the ſayde Lord Stewarde of her moſte honourable houſholde, and thereuppon hath graunted and geuen the ſayde office of Lorde Stewarde of her ſayde moſt honourable houſholde, vnto her ryght truſtie and entirely beloued coſyn and counſaylour, Henrie Earle of Arundell, and hath ordeyned, named, and appoynted hym to be called Lorde Stewarde of her moſt honourable houſholde: That it may pleaſe her hyghneſſe it be enacted, ordeyned, and eſtabliſhed by the aſſent of the lordes ſpirituall and temporall, and the commons in this preſent parliament aſſembled, and by the auctoritie of the ſame, that the ſayde ſtatute made in the ſayde xxvii. yeere, concerning the iuriſdiction of the great maiſter of the kynges houſholde, and euery braunche, clauſe, article, and ſentence in the ſame conteyned, ſhalbe from henceforth vtterly voyde and of none effect.

And furthermore that it be enacted by the auctoritie aforeſayde, that the foreſayd Henrie Earle of Arundel, during the time that he ſhall haue the ſayde office of Lorde Stewarde, and all other who hereafter ſhall

shal haue the office by that name, shall haue, vse, and enioy all suche and singuler preheminences, auctoritie, priuileges, and iurisdictions, in as large and ample maner, fashion, sourme, and condition, as the Steward of the kinges houshold, by vertue of that office, and name of Lorde Steward, had, vsed, or ought to haue vsed, or had, at any tyme before the sayde statute made in the sayde. xxvii. yeere of the sayde late kyng Henrie the eyght, or before the creation, constituting, or makyng of any suche officer of the great maister of the kynges houshold, or graundmaster d'hostel du roi, or at any tyme sithens the sayde. xxvii. yeere of the sayde late kyng Henry the eyght, by reason of any Statute, or Statutes, lawe, custome, or prescription therof had or made.

And that the sayd Henrie Earle of Arundel, during the time that he shal haue the sayd office, and all other after hym hauing the sayde office, shal and may, as fully and absolutely vse, exercise, occupie, haue, and enioy the sayde office, with al and singuler the sayde preheminences, auctorities, priuileges, and iurisdictions, as wel after and during the marriage of her sayde hyghnesse, as he or they myght, or shoulde haue done before the sayde maryage, and that by the name of Lorde Steward of her moste honourable houshold, by what name or names soeuer the court, pallace, or house of her hyghnesse and her husbandes shalbe called: any lawe, vsage, or any other thyng or thinges to the contrary therof, in any wyse notwithstanding.

An Acte for the continuation of a Statute, made for the repayryng of Shierburne causey.

The. v. Chapter.

WHere in the Parliament begunne and holden at Westminster, the fyft day of October, in the fyrst yeere of the raigne of our soueraigne lady Quene Mary, in the seconde and last session of the same Parliament, there holden vppon prorogation the xviii. day of October then next folowyng, and there continued and kept vntyll the dissolution of the same Parliament, beyng the fyrth day of December then next ensuing: Amongst other thinges, one acte was made and prouided, for and concernyng the makyng, repayryng, and amendement of the common hygh way and causey in the counties of Dorset and Somerset, betweene the townes of Shaftesburie & Shierburne, in the same countie of Dorset: the tenour of whiche acte folowyth here in these wordes ensuing.

Where it is euident, that the common hygh way, called the cau-

paued with ſtone, in the Counties of Dorſet and Somerſet, be-
twene the townes of Shaftesburie and Shierburne, in the ſame
Countie of Dorſet, is nowe in great decay, to the great hurt and daun-
ger of all people whiche of neceſſitie muſte daylie paſſe that way in tour-
neys, and with their caryages. For remedie whereof, becauſe it is
thought meete, that the charges of the makyng, repayryng, and amend-
ment of the ſame hygh way and cauſey, beyng in length twelue
myles, ſhoulde be borne by the owners, tenauntes, farmours, and in-
habitauntes of the manours, landes, tenementes, and parythes, lying
nygh to the ſayde cauſey and hygh way on eyther ſyde of the ſame,
by the owners, tenauntes, farmours, and inhabitauntes of the tow-
nes of Shaftesburie and Shirburne: Be it therefore enacted by au-
thoritie of this preſent Parliament, that the ſayde hygh way and cau-
ſey, ſhall from henceforth from tyme to tyme be made, repayred, and
amended by the owners, tenauntes, and farmours of the ſayde landes,
tenauntes, and hereditamentes, lying nygh to the ſayde cauſey and
hygh way on eyther ſyde of the ſame, and by the inhabitauntes of and
within the ſayde townes of Shaftesburie and Shierburne, and by
the owners, tenauntes, and farmours of the manours, landes, tene-
mentes, and hereditamentes, and by the inhabitauntes of and within
the towell of Gyllingham, and lyberties of Gyllingham, and Alcetter,
and the hundredes of Radiane and Shierburne, in the ſayde Countie
of Dorſet, and of the hundred of Horethorne, in the ſayde Countie of
Somerſet.

And be it further enacted by the auctheritie aforeſayde, that the
Juſtices of the peace, aſwell of the ſayde Countie of Dorſet, as of the
ſayde Countie of Somerſet, for the tyme beyng, from tyme to tyme, a-
well in their quarter ſeſſions, as otherwyſe, ſhall haue full power and
auctheritie to call before them, or before foure of them at the leaſt,
whereof two to be of the Quorum, the ſayde owners, tenauntes, far-
mours, and inhabitauntes, and all other ſuche perſon and perſons, as
by this acte, as is aforeſayde, ſhalbe bounde to repayre and amende
the ſayde cauſey and hygh way, or ſuche, and ſo many of them, as
to the ſame Juſtices of the peace, or foure of them at the leaſt, where-
of two to be of the Quorum, ſhalbe thought moſt meete and conueni-
ent, and therevpon to take ſuche reaſonable orders and directions from
tyme to tyme, for, and concernyng the makyng, repayryng, and a-
mendement of the ſayde hygh way and cauſey: and for the charges
therof, to make from tyme to tyme ſuche aſſeſſementes and tarati-
ons of money, or otherwyſe, vppon the ſayde owners, tenauntes, far-
mours, and inhabitauntes, and all other ſuche perſon and perſons, as
by this acte, as is aforeſayde, ſhalbe bounde to repayre and amende the
ſayde cauſey and hyghe way, hauyng good and indifferent reſpecte
to the ſeuerall habilities of them, and euerye of them, as to the ſayde

Juſtices

Iuſtices of peace, or foure of them at the leaſt, whereof two to be of the Quorum, ſhalbe thought moſt meete, expedient, and conuenient, & that it ſhalbe lawfull to the ſame Iuſtices of the peace, or to foure of them at the leaſt, whereof two to be of the Quorum, to put and ſet payne, as well for the obſeruation and performaunce of the ſayde ordinaunces and directions, as alſo for the payment and leuying of ſuche money and other thinges, as ſhalbe taxed and aſſeſſed, or whereof anye ſhalbe made, in fourme aforeſayde, and to ſet order for accompt to be made yeerely of ſuche ſummes of money, and other thynges as ſhalbe leuyed and gathered, for, and to the reparation and amendement of the ſayde hygh way and cauſey, and before whom, and to whom the ſayde accompt ſhalbe made: and that the ſame orders and directions ſhalbe entred and enrolled of recorde by the Clarke of the peace for the tyme beyng, aſwell of the ſayde Countie of Dorſet, as of the ſayde Countie of Somerſet, in the rolles of ſeſſions of the ſame Counties, to the intent that proceſſe may be made againſt ſuche perſon, and perſons, as ſhall withſtande, breake, or diſobey any of the orders, decrees, ordinaunces, taxations, or aſſeſſementes to be made concernyng the premiſſes in fourme aforeſayd, the forfeytures of which paynes and penalties to goe to the making, repayring, and amendement of the ſayde hygh way and cauſey.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforeſayde, that for not performyng of the ſayde orders, directions, and ordinaunces, and for the leuying of the ſayd taxations and aſſeſſementes, it ſhalbe lawfull to diſtrayne, and take diſtreſſes, and to vſe the ſame diſtreſſes in ſuch wiſe, as in other caſes where diſtreſſes doo lye, by the lawes of this realme, hath and may be done and vſed.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforeſayde, that if the Iuſtices of the peace of the ſayde Counties of Dorſet and Somerſet do refuſe to put this acte in execution in maner and fourme aforeſayde, accordyng to the fourme and true meanyng of the ſame acte, that then the Lorde Chaunceloure of Englande, or the Keeper of the great Seale of Englande for the tyme beyng, vppon requeſt to be made to hym, ſhall, and may make fourth commyſſion or commiſſions vnder the great Seale of Englande, to ſuche diſcreete perſons, as to hym ſhalbe thought meete and conuenient, to put this preſente act in execution in euery part thereof, accordyng to the intent and true meanyng therof.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforeſayde, that the ſame commiſſioners ſhal and may haue full power and auctoritie to put the ſame in execution, accordyngly in euery parte thereof, in ſuch fourme and ſorte, as to them ſhal ſeeme meete and conuenient, and as the ſayde Iuſtices of peace of the ſayde Counties of Dorſet and Somerſet, by vertue of this acte ſhoulde, or myght doo, accordyng to

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the lawfull effect and true meanyng of the ſame acte, whiche act was made to endure to the ende of the nexte parliament, as by the ſame acte more playnely appeareth. For as muche as the ſayde acte is good and beneficial for the common weale of this Realme: be it therefore ordeyned and enacted by the aucthoritie of this preſent parliament, that the ſayde acte, touching and concernyng the makyng, repayring, and amendment of the ſayde hygh way, and cauſey, betweene the ſayde Townes of Shaftesbury, and Shyrborne; and all clauſes and articles conteyned in the ſame acte; accordyng to the true meanyng thereof, here before recited, ſhal continue and endure in their force and ſtrength, and be obſerued and kept in al thynges, vntil thend of ten yeeres next enſuing thend of this preſent parliament.

An acte for the repayryng of a cauſey betwixt Briſtowe, and Gloceſter.

The. vi. Chapter.

Here as the Queenes hyghway, leadyng betweene the Cities of Briſtowe and Gloceſter, hauyng been heretofore well repayred, by the deuotion of dyuers good people, is nowe fallen into ſuche decay, with ſlowes, waters, and holes, in moſt places, as neyther people, horſe, nor carriage, without great danger can now paſſe there. By reaſon whereof, many people with their waynes, cartes, horſes, and carriage, haue been, and be maymed, periſhed, maimed, and killed diuers tymes. For as much as the people labourying betweene the ſayd two Cities, haue no other ſo conuenient a way as that, yf it were repayred:

It may therefore be enacted by the auctheritie of this parliament, that the inhabitants of the countie of the citie of Gloceſter, and of the countie of the Citie of Briſtowe, within their ſeuerall liberties, & the inhabitauntes of the hundredes of Barton, nerr Briſtow, Gromhal, the Barkley, Whyteſtone, Thornebury, and Hendbury, within the countie of Gloceſter, for their ſeuerall limittes and hundredes, ſhalbe charged with the amending and reparation of the ſayde way, or cauſey, from tyme to tyme hereafter. And that the Juſtices of peace of the ſayd countie, or three of them at the leaſt, dwelling within the ſayde Cities aforeſayd, for their liberties, & three other Juſtices of

peace of the said countie of Glocester, dwelling within euery of the said seuerall hundredes, or nyghest to the same, and high Constables of the said hundredes, for their seuerall hundredes, may & shal by vertue of this acte, at euery session of peace to be holden in the said countie next after the feast of Christmas, yeerely duryng these sixe yeeres, rate, and lease euery of the said hundredes, at such a conuenient portion or summe of money, as shalbe by them thought sufficient for the due reparation of the said causey, & for the charges of the ouerseers of the same. And that the said Justices, and high Constables, by vertue of this present acte, shal from tyme to tyme yeerely, duryng the said yearme of sixe yeeres, appoynt, rate, & lease the Inhabitantes of the same, and also appoynt collectours & ouerseers for the due leuying of the money, and making of the said way, and that al and euery of the sayde Inhabitantes shal beare, pay, & contribute their seuerall rates and portions, as the said Justices and high Constables shal seuerally appoynt & determine. And that the said collectours and ouerseers, shal at the feast of S. Michael Tharchangel, yeerely yeeld and make a true and perfecte accompt in writyng, before the saide Justices and high Constables, or suche other as they shal appoynt them for the tyme, wherein reasonable wages for al necessary ministers shalbe allowed by the sayde Justices, vppon the payne that he that shal neglecte or refuse to doo any thing to hym apparteynyng, that is before limitted, shal forfeyte for euery tyme .x. li. the one halfe to be to the Queenes highnesse vse, her heires and successours, the other moyte to hym that wyl sue for the same by action, byl, playnt, or otherwyse, wherein no essoigne, nor wager of lawe, or protection, shalbe allowed.

And further, that it may be enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayde, that the sayde hygh way may be made newe, as good and sufficient al on this syde the feast of the Natiuitie of our Lorde God, which shal be in the yeere of our Lorde, a thousande fyue hundred fyfty & fiue, at the costes and charges of the Inhabitantes aforesayde, and to be wel syded, pytched, and bottomed with stones and other workmanshyp, and guttred for voydyng of waters.

And be it further enacted by the auctho̅itie aforesayd, that as wel the Inhabitantes of the said cities of Bristowe and Glocester, and of the counties of the same cities, within their seuerall liberties, as the Inhabitants of the said hundredes aboue named, within the said countie of Glocester, shal yeerely from tyme to tyme, duryng the said terme of fyue yeeres, pay vnto the sayde collectours, vpon reasonable warnyng, all suche summes of money as shalbe rated and taxed by the said Justices and high Constables, within their saide seuerall limits, in payne of forfeyture of euery such person, as refuse this to do, fourty shillinges, to be leuied to the vse aforesayd, in maner & forme aboue recited. This acte to endure but for .vi. yeeres next ensuyng.

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An act touchyng cloth making in corporate townes, and market townes.

The vii. Chapter.

WHere the citie of Worceſter, and diuers other cities, boroughes, and townes corporate, within the realme of England, of long tyme haue ben vpholden, repayred, and onely maintayned by makyng of broade clothes, called long clothes, short clothes, and coloured clothes, and the citizens, freemen, and inhabitantes of the ſame cities, townes, and boroughes corporate, haue thereby ben greatly enriched, and the poore people, and handy craftes men of the ſame, and the countreys adioyning, dayly ſet a worke, as Weauers, Walkers, Fullers, Fulling mylnes, Sheremen, Dyers, Frame makers, Cardes, and Spynners of yarne, & haue had their onely liuing through the new of late in the ſixth yeere of the raigne of our late ſouereigne lord king Edward the vi. that an eſtatute was made, that no man ſhould occupy cloth making, ne put any broade cloth or clothes to be made or making, except he hath ben apprentice to cloth making by the ſpace of ſeuen yeres, or els haue occupied and practiſed cloth making by the ſpace of ſeuen yeres, or more, vnder paine of forfeiture of great penalties in the ſame eſtatute ymagined. By reaſon whereof, many and many good clothiers, dwelling in the ſayd cities & townes corporate, which hath occupied & made cloth by the ſpace of tyme of fyue yeres, and ſome which haue maried clothiers wiues, which had occupied cloth making by the ſpace of twentie yeres before, by reaſon of the ſame eſtatute, haue ben enforced to leaue of, and clearly diſcontinue their cloth making, to their great impoueriſhment, and to the vtter vndooyng of a great number of poore people, and handye craftemen, which dayly had their liuing by the ſayd clothiers. And for as much as the perfecte and principal grounde of cloth making, & the true ſkyll of woolles, and the experience thereof conſiſteth only in women, as clothiers wiues, and their women ſeruantes, and not in apprentices, they be thereby very lyke to be vtterly vndone for euer, vnleſſe ſpeedy remedy be therein prouided.

For reformation whereof, be it enacted, eſtabliſhed, and ordeyned, by the Queenes moſt excellent maieſtie, with the aſſent of the lordes ſpirituall and temporall, and the commons in this preſent parliament aſſembled, and by the authoritie of the ſame parliament, that euery perſon or perſons, inhabiting in any of the ſayde cities, boroughes, or

towneſ corporate, or in market townes within the realme of Eng-
lande, where cloth making at any time before the making of the ſayd
act hath ben vſed, ſhal or may from henceforth lawfully make all ma-
ner of broad clothes aforeſayd, & put them to weauing, walking, ful-
ling, dying, and shearyng, without any impediment, ſo that the ſame
cloth be ſubſtantially made, bearyng lawful length, breadth, & waight,
accordyng to the ſtatute for good and true cloth making, made in the
v. yeere of the raigne of our ſayde late ſouerayne lord king Edwarde
the vi. any article or clauſe in the ſayde former eſtatute, or any other
eſtatute for cloth making, made to the contrary, in any wyſe notwith-
ſtandyng.

An act touching the buying *and currying of leather.*

The. viii. Chapter.

WHere at the parliament holden at weſtminſter by
prorogation, the. xv. day of Apryl, in the. vi. yeere of
the raigne of our late ſouerayne lorde kyng Edward
the vi. it was amongſt other thynges enacted, that no
perſon or perſons, of what eſtate, degree, or condition
ſoeuer he or they be, ſhould bye, engroſſe, or cauſe to
be bought or engroſſed, any kynd of tanned leather, to ſell the ſame
agayne, ſauyng onely Sadlers, Ryders, Corduwayners, & certeyn
other artificers, as by the ſame acte more playnely may appeare, by
whence the making whereof, for as muche as many poore artificers,
as Shoemakers and Coblers, who afore that tyme myght bye from
tyme to tyme their ſtuffe of the Currier, redy prouided and wrought
ſufficiently, and to bye the ſame at a price reaſonable, & now be-
yng very poore men, and not able to bye two or three hydes, or backes
of leather at one tyme, nor to pay redy money for the ſame, are con-
ſtrayned to geue by their occupations in great number, to their vtter im-
poueriſhment and vndooyng:

And for aſmuche alſo, as ſythence the making of the ſayd eſtatute,
al kynde of ſtuffe made of leather, is more ſciencerly and dexterouſly
wrought, and made then euer it was, and neuertheleſſe as dear, or
dearer, whereby it may appeare, that the ſayde former acte was pro-
cured for the ſinguler commoditie of a fewe riche Shoemakers, and
other artificers that are nowe common regratours and engroſſers
of leather, who without reſpect of perfect woorkmanſhyppe, ryther of
the common wealth, whiche is wel perceyued both in mens purſes,
and alſo in their ſhoes, the experience is wel proued, they hauing the
onely trade of buyeng of leather, ſtuffe, and talowe in their handes,

and

notwithſtandyng, do delyuer to the currier ſo litle ſtuffe and ta-
lowe, whereby the leather can not be ſufficiently wrought. And
forſmuche as the curriers are by dyuers lawes bounden to the ſuf-
ficient workemanſhip, and currying of leather, vpon dyuers paynes,
where they may buye ſtoo leather, noz the ſhoemaker wyll not alowe
them ſufficiently to do the ſame:

Be it therefoze enacted, that from henceforth it ſhalbe lawful, al
and ſyngular curriers, ſhoemaker, gyrdeler, ſadler, bougee maker, and all
other artificers, occuppying the craft oz myſterie of leather buying:
lawfully to buye al kyndes of tanned leather in fayres and marketz,
within all places of this realme accuſtomed to be ſolde, it beyng la-
fully tanned and dreſſed, ſo that the ſayde curriers, ſhoemakers, and
gyrdelers, noz any perſon foz them oz foz their vſe, ſhal buye any kynde
of tanned leather to ſel agayne to any marchant oz other ſtranger, to
be conueyed ouer the ſea, ne ſhal ſende ne conuey any leather beyonde
the ſea, vpon the forfayting of al ſuch leather ſo bought, the one halfe
of the ſame to be to the Queenes highneſſe, & the other halfe to hym
that ſeaſeth the ſame. And further, the foreſaid act from henceforth
to be repealed, made voyd, & of none effect, concerning the curriers,
ſhoemakers, ſadlers, bougetmakers, gyrdlers, and al other artificers,
occuppying the myſterie of leather buying curried and dreſſed.

And be it further enacted, that from henceforth no perſon oz per-
ſons occuppying the feate oz myſterie of currying of tanned leather
within the citie of London, oz ſuburbes of the ſame, ſhal occupie a-
bout ſ currying of the ſame leather any other ſtuffe, oz talow, brought
into this lad by any other perſon oz perſons, but ſuche as ſhall be his
owne, vpon payne of forfeyture of al ſuche leather ſo curryed, con-
trary to the true meanyng thereof.

And furthermoze, that no curryer ſhal curry any hydes foz any ſhoe-
maker to make ſhoes oz bootes of, from the feaſt of Saint James the
Apoſtle, vnto the .xxb. day of Marche, but ſuch as ſhalbe dipped ſuffi-
ciently twyſe in the pan, foz the true and due workemanſhip thereof,
vpon payne of forfeyture of al ſuche leather, as ſhalbe wrought to the
contrary, the one halfe of the ſame to the Queenes highneſſe, and the
other moyetie to hym that ſhal ſynde and preſent the ſame, al the ſame
penalties to be recouered in fourme aforeſayde, by hym oz them that
wyl ſue foz the ſame, by action of det, byl, playnt, oz information, in a-
ny court of recorde, wherein no eſſoigne, protection, ne wager of lawe
ſhalbe admitted, ne alowed foz the defendaunt.

Prouyded alway, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforeſaid, that
from, and as often, as any ſhoemaker, oz his deputie, doth bring any
hydes ſufficiently tanned, to any currier to be curried, deliuering ſuf-
ficient lyquoz foz wel dreſſing of the ſame: the ſame ſhalbe by euery

ſuche

such currier, wel and sufficiently curried, and made redy for the
maker, within the space of fiue dayes in Sommer: that is to say, from
the first day of March, to the last day of September. And also in like
maner, within the space of tenne dayes in wynter: that is to say, from
the first day of October, vnto the last day of February, vpon payne to
forfayte to the partie greeued, for euery hyde not curried and dressed
in maner and fourme aforesayde, the summe of ten shillynges.

Prouided further, that this prouiso shal not extende to bynde any
currier to dresse any leather, whiche he, doyng his best, is not able to
dresse within euery of the tymes aforesayd, but that it extend to all such lea-
ther as he conueniently may dresse, after the common rate of dressyng.

An act touchyng ordinaunces and rules in Cathe-
dral Churches and Schooles.

The ix. Chapter.

Where as the late noble Prince of famous
memorie, kyng Henry the eight, father to our
most gracious Soueraigne Lady the
Queene, amongst other his good deedes &
doynges, did erecte, make, and ordeyne
diuers & sundry churches, as well cathedrall,
as collegiat, & endowed euery of the same
with diuers manoures, landes, tenementes,
and possessions, for the maintenance of the
deanes, prebendaries, & ministers of
the same, & for other charitable actes to be
done & executed by the same Deanes, pre-
bendaries, & ministers, and also did encorporate the same Deanes, pre-
bendaries, and ministers, & made them bodyes politique, in perpetual
succession, according to the lawes of this realme of England. And
where also as the sayd late kyng, for the better maintenance & preser-
uation of the said churches in a godly vnitie, and good order & gouer-
naunce, graunted vnto the seuerall corporations, & bodies corporate
of euery of the sayd churches, that they should be ruled & gouerned for
euer, according vnto certaine ordinaunces, rules, & statutes, to be spe-
cified in certaine indentures, then after to be made by his highnesse, &
to be deliuered & declared to euery of the bodyes corporate of the sayd se-
ueral churches, as by the seuerall erections & foundations of the sayd
churches more playnly it doth and may appeare. Since whiche the same
erections & foundations, the said late kyng did cause to be deliuered to
euery of the sayd churches, so as is aforesayd erected & incorporated,
by certaine commissioners by his highnesse appointed, diuers & sun-
dry statutes and ordinaunces, made and declared by the same com-
missioners, for the order, rule, and gouernaunce of the sayde seuerall

churches

churches, and of the deanes, prebendaries, and miniſters of the ſame, which ſayd ſtatutes and ordinaunces were made by the ſayde commiſſioners, and deliuered vnto euery of the corporations of the ſayde ſeuerall churches in writing, but not indented, according to the formes of the ſayde foundations and erections, by reaſon whereof the ſayde churches, and the ſeuerall deanes, prebendaries, and miniſters of the ſame haue no ſtatutes, or ordinaunces of any force or auctoritie, whereby they ſhoulde be ruled and gouerned, and therefore remayne as yet not fully eſtabliſhed, in ſuch ſort as the godly intent of the ſayde late king Henry the eyght was, to the great imperfection of the ſame churches, and the hinderance of Gods ſeruice, and good order and regiment to be had and continued amongſt the miniſters of the ſame.

And foraſmuch as the auctoritie of the making of the ſayde eſtatutes, ordinaunces, and orders, was reſerued onely vnto the ſayd late king, & no mention made of any like auctoritie to be reſerued vnto his heyres and ſucceſſours, the ſame orders and ſtatutes can not now be made and prouided without auctoritie of parliament.

May it therefore pleaſe the Queenes highneſſe, that it may be eſtabliſhed and enacted by her highneſſe, by aſſent of the Lordes ſpirituall and temporall, and the commons of this preſent parliament aſſembled, and by the auctoritie of the ſame, that our ſayd ſouereigne Lady the Queene, from henceforth during her natural life (which our lord God long preſerue) ſhal haue by vertue of this act, full power and auctoritie, to make and preſcribe vnto euery of the ſayde churches, and the deanes, prebendaries, and miniſters of the ſame, and to their ſucceſſours, ſuch ſtatutes, ordinaunces, and orders, for the good gouernaunce, rule, and order of euery of the ſame Churches, deanes, prebendaries, and miniſters of the ſame, and of the landes, manours, tenementes, and poſſeſſions of euery of the ſame churches, as ſhall ſeeme good to her highneſſe, the ſame ſtatutes and ordinaunces to be made by her highneſſe, by writing, ſealed with the great Seale of England, and to be deliuered to the deanes, prebendaries, and miniſters of euery of the ſayd churches for the tyme being.

And that it may be further enacted by the auctoritie aforeſayde, that our ſaid Souereigne Lady the Queene, during the tyme aforeſayde, by writing, ſealed with the great Seale of England, ſhal & may alter, tranſpoſe, change, augment, or diminiſhe the ſayde orders, ſtatutes, and ordinaunces of euery of the ſayd churches, from tyme to tyme, as occaſion ſhal ſerue, & as it ſhal ſeeme good to her highneſſe, and that al and euery of the ſayde ſtatutes, ordinaunces, and orders, ſo to be made, altered, tranſpoſed, changed, augmented, or diminiſhed as is aforeſayde, ſhalbe, and remayne good and effectual, according to the making, alteration, tranſpoſing, changing, augmenting, or diminiſhing of the ſame.

Be it

Be it also further enacted by the authoritie aforesayde, that the Queenes highnesse may have the power and authoritie to make ordeyne, and establyshe statutes, ordinaunces, and foundations for the good order and gouernment of suche Grammer schooles, as have been erected, founded, or established in any part of this realme, by the most noble Princes, king Henry the eight, or king Edward the sixt, and of the ministers & schollers of the same schoole, and to alter and transpose such other statutes and ordinaunces there made heretofore from tyme to tyme, as to her highnesse shall seeme most conuenient.

An acte for the repeale of a Statute made for the vnityng of the paryshe Churches of Onger and Grenestrde, in the Countie of Essex.

The xx. Chapter.

MOst humbly complayning, sheweth vnto your highnesse, your obedient & faythfull subiectes, the inhabitantes and parishioners of the townes & villages of Chipping Onger, otherwyse called Little Onger & Grenestede, within your graces Countie of Essex: that where by the sinister labour and procurement of one Wyllyam Mozys, late, your graces late seruant, deceassed, sometyme patrone of the parishe church of Onger aforesayd, & one of the Burgesses of the parliament holden at Westminster in the second yeere of the raigne of the late kyng of woorthie memorie, Edward the sixt, your highnesse brother, inordinately seeking his priuate lucre & gaine, an acte was made, & ordeyned by authoritie of parliament, in the same second yeere, for a consolidation and vnion to be had and made of the paryshe Churches of the sayd townes and villages of Onger and Grenestede, and that the inhabitauntes and parishioners of Onger aforesayde, shoulde resorte and repayre for diuine seruice into the Church of Grenestede aforesayde, as to their paryshe Church: which acte was deuised and pursued onely by the sayde Wyllyam Mozys, without the consent and knowledge of your sayde humble suppliantes, and booth conteyne in it false suggestions and vntrue surmises, aswel concernyng the distaunce and balue of the sayd churches & parishes, as other thinges therein mentioned. By colour of which acte the sayde Wyllyam Mozys in his lyfe tyme, dyd not onely enclose and to the sayd Church and Churchyarde of Onger aforesayde the mansyon house, and glebelande of the parsonage thereof, but also in, and to diuers other peeces of land to the sayd church appertaining

through the whiche your ſayde ſubiectes of Dnger aforeſayde, and all other your hyghneſſe liege people, heretofore haue had theyr hygh wayes and pathes from tyme to tyme, accuſtomably vſed tyme out of mynde, and dyd alſo take awaye all the ornamentes, belles, veſtmentes, chalice, and leade of the Churche, to his owne vſe, and hath couered the ſayde Churche againe with tyle, whereby your ſayde ſubiectes haue loſt the vſes of the ſayde acte, haue wandred as ſheepe without ſhepheardes, to ſtraunge Parychyes, for diuine ſeruice and miniſtration of ſacramentes, by reaſon that the ſayde Churche of Grenſtede is not able to conteyne the one halfe of the ſayde Parychioners, neyther the Churche of Grenſtede able in the winter ſeaſon to receyue the peoples, runnyng and ouerflowing betweene the Townes of the ſame paryches, whoſe Churches are diſtaunt three quarters of a mile, and more, to them diuers of the ſayde Towne of Dnger in the ſame tyme haue died, not onely without confeſſion and counſayle of theyr Curate, but alſo without adminiſtration of the holye Sacramentes, and other rytes of the holye Churche, to the great peryll and daunger of theyr ſoules, to the great greefes and ſorowe of your ſayde pytyable ſubiectes, and to the great diſeaſe and diſcommoditie of them, and theyr ſucceſſours, Inhabitauntes, and Parychioners there, in tyme to come, vnleſſe by your grace, and this hygh court of Parliament, remedye may bee prouided in that behalfe. The premiſſes conſidered, and for as muche as the perſonage of Dnger, whereof the ſayde Mayſter William Mayo was Parychioner, was before the ſayde acte worth ten pounde yerely, ſo long as the ſayde William did ſeruye and fully pay his tythes, and that the Inhabitauntes onely of Dnger aforeſayde, without the ayde or contribution of the Inhabitauntes of Grenſtede aforeſayde, be, and haue (God wylling) able, and wyllyng well and ſufficiently to repayre and mayntayne the ſayde Churche and perſonage of Dnger, with neceſſary reparations and ornamentes, meete for the ſame Paryche Churche of Dnger, and ſyns the Inhabitauntes of Grenſteede, without ayde and contributi[on] of the Inhabitauntes of Dnger aforeſayde, (the benefice of Grene[ſ]tede being of the yerely value of twentye markes,) are able and wyl[l]yng to doo the ſame.

In conſyderyng therefore pleaſe your moſte excellent hyghneſſe, that it maye be enacted by the ſame your hyghneſſe, with the aſſent of the Lordes ſpirituall and temporall, and the commons of this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the auctoritie of the ſame, that the ſayde acte of Parliament, made for the conſolidation and vnion of both the ſayde Churches of Dnger and Grenſtede, and euerye clauſe, article, and thyng therein conteyned, be repealed and made vtterly fruſtrate and voyde, as though the ſame had neuer been had ne made: any thyng conteyned to the contrary, notwithſtandyng.

And that the state of the late Churche of Onger, the Chauncell, Churchyarde, and the place and house which was the Church, Chauncel, and Churcheyarde in the sayde Towne of Chypping Onger, otherwyse called Cattle Onger, maye be, and shalbe from henceforth for euer, the Parysshe Churche, Chauncel, and Churchyarde, to all intents, the inhabitauntes and reliauntes of the sayde Towne of Chypping Onger, and that the inhabitauntes of the same Onger, shall alwayes hereafter accepted, reputed, and taken, and be parishioners to the sayde Churche of Onger, and be, and shalbe ditchargeable of any further reforte, repayre, or charge to the sayde Churche of Stanstead, in lyke maner and fourme, as it was accustomed and vsed before the sayde late act of Parliament: and that alwayes a conuenient and meete parson shalbe from henceforth presented and presentable, to the ayoydaunce of the sayde Churche of Onger, to the Bysshop of London, and to his successours, ordinaries of the sayde Churche of Onger, by the onely name of the parson of the Parysshe Churche of Onger, in lyke maner and fourme, as other parsons of the sayde Parysshe haue before the makyng of the sayde act been accustomed and vsed to be presented by the order and course of the common lawes of this Realme, and that euery parson or curate for the time beyng of the sayde Churche of Onger, shall from henceforth be charged with the cure of the parishioners and inhabitauntes, with the auncient circuit, and precinct of the sayde Towne of Onger, as it hath been before the sayde act of Parliament moste accustomablye vsed, and that aduoulon, donation, and presentation of the sayde parsonage of Onger, shall hereafter belong and appertayne to James Mores, sonne and heyre of the sayde Mylliam Mores, decessed, and to his heires and assignes for euer, by the onelye name of the aduoulon, donation, or presentation of the parsonage of Onger, in like sort, fourme, condition, and qualitie, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as it was before the makyng of the sayde acte: Any thyng in the sayde acte to the contrarye, notwithstanding.

And that the Bysshop, Ordinarie, or Ordinaries, and their successours of the place where the sayde Scite or Churche of Onger nowe standeth, or dyd late stande, shall haue the institution and induction, of all and euerye suche parson and parsons, as shalbe presented vnto them at all tymes hereafter by the lawfull patrones of the sayde Churche of Onger, and in defaulte thereof, to make collation to the sayde Churche, accordyng vnto the auncient vsage and custome of this Realme of Englande in that behalfe heretofore vsed, and that the Parson of the sayde Churche of Onger, and his successours, and euerye of them, shall from henceforth haue, perceyue, and take all manner tythes, offerynges, oblations, obuentions, and all other ecclesiasticall dueties and ryghtes that shall growe and be due by the ordi-

ſtomes of this Realme, and eccleſiaſtical lawes of the ſame, and as by the vſage and cuſtomes within the ſayde Paryſh of Onger, were wont to be payde, had, or made by the Pariſhioners, inhabitauntes, and reſi-dentes, within the circuit, and auncient precinct of Onger aforeſayd, in euerye conditi on, as before the ſayde act was accuſtomed: and that the ſayde vnion and conſolidation of the ſaide Churches of Onger and Greneſteede, and the Pariſhes therof, ſhalbe in euery ſtinde, condition, and qualitie, by this preſent acte vtterly ſeparated and diuided into two ſeuerall parſonages or cures, and Pariſhes in qualitie, name, and degree, to remayne for euer, in lyke maner, fourme, and condition, as they were before the makyng of the ſayde late acte: Any thyng in the ſame conteyned to the contrary, notwithſtandyng.

And that the Queenes Maieſtie, her heyres and ſucceſſours, ſhall haue the tenthes and fyrſt fruites of the ſayde parſonage of Chyppyng Onger aforeſayd, accordyng to the rate and valuation as the ſayde par-ſonage was before the ſayde acte, or hereafter ſhalbe rated or valued to the Queenes ſayd Maieſtie, in her hyghneſſe counte of fyrſt fruites and tenthes.

And further be it enacted by the authoritie aforeſayde, that from henceforth, that euerye perſon and his ſucceſſours, parſons of the Churche of Onger, and the Pariſhioners of the ſame, ſhall haue by this act from henceforth, the Scite of the ſayde Churche of Onger, and o-ther houſes belongyng to the ſame, and all the parſonage, glebe landes, and grounds, called the Cimitorie, and other houſes, landes, tene-mentes, and profites belongyng or occupied with the ſame, or anye parcel therof, with the appurtenances, in lyke maner as the ſayd par-ſons and Paryſhioners, or any of them late helde, occupied, or enioyed the ſame: any graunt, clauſe, or article, conteyned in the ſayde late acte or ſtatute to the contrary, in any wyſe notwithſtandyng.

Prouided alwaye, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforeſayde, that the ſayde parſonage of Greneſteede, and the incumbentes of the ſame, for the tyme beyng, ſhalbe diſcharged and exhonorated of, and for all tenthes, wherewith the ſayde parſonage of Chyppyng Onger is in anye wyſe charged, or due out of the ſame, in any of the Queenes Ma-ieſties courtes, by reaſon or for any tenthes, growyng, going, or ariſing, out of the ſayde parſonage of Chyppyng Onger, or by reaſon of the ly-ing of the ſame.

An act touchyng the ſea ſandes in Glamorganſhyre. The.xi. Chapter.

Where in the. xriii. yeere of the raigne of the excellent Prince of famous memorye, kyng Henrye the eyght, it was enacted and eſtablyſhed, that commiſſions of Sewers, from tyme to tyme, when nede ſhould require, ſhoulde be directed to ſuche ſubſtantial and indifferent perſons, as ſhoulde be named by the Lorde Chaunce-lour of Englande, the Lorde Treaſurer, the lord priuie Seale, and the two cheefe Juſtices, or three of them, whereof the lord Chaunceſour to be one, aucthorſyng them, or fyue of them, to ſurueye walles, ſtreames, diches, banches, gutters, ſewers, guttes, cauſeys, brydges, trenches, mylles, myldames, floodgates, pondes, cokes, ebbyng weres, and other lettes, and noyſanſes, by reaſon of the outrageous courſe and rage of the ſea, in, and vpon marſhes, and other lowe places, whiche good lawe dooth not extende, nor is not taken to geue auctho̅itie and power vnto the ſayd Commiſſioners of Sewers to reſourme the great hurt, noyſance, and loſſes that commeth and chaunceth to the Queenes hyghneſſe, and her ſubiectes, by reaſon of ſande ryſyng out of the ſea, and dryuen to lande by ſtormes and wyndes, whereby muche good grounde lying on the ſea coaſte in ſundry places of this Realme, and eſpecially in the countie of Glamorgan, be couered with ſuche ſande ryſing out of the ſea, that there commeth no profite of the ſame, to the great loſſe of the queenes hyghnes, and her louing ſubiects, and more is like to enſue, yf ſpeedy remedy be not therin prouided.

May it therefore pleaſe the Queenes highneſſe, with thaſſent of the Lordes ſpiritual and temporall, and the commons in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the auctho̅itie of the ſame, be it enacted, that as wel the ſayde act of Sewers, made in the ſaide. xriii. yeere, as all Commiſſions of Sewers hereafter to be directed, accordyng to the tenor of the ſayde act, may extende and geue auctho̅itie, that the Commiſſioners therein named for the countie of Glamorgan, or fyue of them, whereof three to be of the Quorum, ſhall by this acte, and the ſayd former acte and Commiſſion to them directed, haue ful power and auctho̅itie, from tyme to tyme, to make ſuche lawes, prouiſions, ordinaunces, iudgementes, and decrees, within the ſayde Countie of Glamorgan, for the redreſſe and ſauyng the ſayde groundes from hurte or deſtruction by reaſon of the ſayde ſandes, as they myght or may doo by the ſayde former act and Commiſſion, for the withſtanding and auoydyng the outragious courſe and rage of the ſea, or other waters: Any vſage or cuſtome to the contrary, notwithſtandyng.

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An act for the continuation of certayne Statutes.

The. xii. Chapter.

WHere in the Parliament begunne and holden at London. the thyrde day of Nouember, in the. xxi. yeere of the raigne of our moſte dread Soueraigne Lorde of moſte famous memorie, kyng Henrie the eyght, and from thence adiourned to Weſtminſter, and there holden and continued by diuers prorogations, vnto the diſſolution thereof, one act was made and eſtabliſhed for the reſtraint of cariage, and conueying of horſes and mares out of this realme: and alſo one other acte was there made for the true wyndyng of woolles: and one other acte was there made to reſtraine kyllyng of weanelinges, bullockes, ſtires, and heyfers, being vnder the age of two yeres: whiche ſayde ſeueral actes were then made to endure and continue vnto the next parliament, as by the ſame ſeueral actes more plainely appeareth.

And where alſo in the ſame parliament one other act was made and eſtabliſhed, for attaintes to be ſued for the puniſhment of periurie vpon vniuſt verdicts: which actes laſt before rehearſed, were then made and ordeyned to continue and endure to the laſt day of the next Parliament, as by the ſame act more playnly at large is ſhewed, and may appeare.

And where alſo in the Parliament begunne and holden at Weſtminſter, the eyght day of June, in the. xxviii. yeere of the raigne of our ſayde moſt dread Soueraigne Lorde kyng Henrie the eyght, and there continued and kept, vntyll the diſſolution thereof, it was ordeyned and enacted, that al and ſinguler the ſayde actes aboue remembred, and euery of them, ſhoulde continue and endure in their force and ſtrength, and alſo be obſerued and kept, vntyll the laſt day of the next Parliament, as by the ſame act amongſt other thynges therein conteyned, more playnely appeareth.

And where alſo in the Parliament begunne and holden at Weſtminſter the. xxviii. day of Apryl, in the. xxx. yeere of the raigne of our ſayde moſt dread Soueraigne Lorde kyng Henrie the eyght, and there continued vntyll the. xxviii. day of June then next folowyng, it was ordeyned and enacted by the aucthoritie of the ſame Parliament, that al and ſinguler the ſayde ſeuerall actes aboue remembred, and euery of them, and all clauſes, articles, and prouiſions in them, and euery of them conteyned, ſhould continue and endure in their force and ſtrength, and alſo be obſerued and kept, vntyll the laſte day of the next Parliament, as by the ſame acte amongſt other thynges therein conteyned, more playnely appeareth.

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And where in the Parliament holden at weſtminſter, in the xxij. yeere of the raigne of our moſt dread Soueraigne lord kyng Henry the eyght, one acte was made for the preſeruation of woods, to endure to ſeuen yeeres then next folowyng, and from thence vnto the ende of the next Parliament, as by the ſame acte more playnely dooth and may appeare.

And where alſo at the Parliament holden at weſtminſter, in the xxviij. yeere of the raigne of our ſaide moſt dread Soueraigne lord kyng Henry the eyght, and there continued and kept vntyll the diſſolucion thereof, it was ordeyned and enacted, that al and ſinguler the ſaid actes aboue mentioned, and euery of them, except the ſayde acte made for the preſeruation of woodes, as is aforeſayde, ſhould continue and endure in their force and ſtrength, and alſo to be obſerued and kept, vntyll the laſt day of the next Parliament, as by the ſame acte amongſt other thynges therein conteyned more playnely appeareth.

And where alſo at the Seſſion of a Parliament, ended at weſtminſter, the xiiij. day of Marche, in the thyrde yeere of the raigne of our late Soueraigne Lorde, kyng Edwarde the fyrſt, one acte was made for the true carryyng of leather: whiche acte was made to endure to the ende of the next Parliament, as by the ſame acte more playnely appeareth.

And where alſo at the Seſſion of a Parliament, ended at weſtminſter the fyrſt day of Februarie, in the fourthe yeere of the raigne of our ſayde late Soueraigne Lorde kyng Edwarde the fyrſt, one acte was then and there made, concernyng the buryng of rother beaſtes, and alſo one other acte was then and there made, touchyng the byeyng and ſellyng of butter and cheeſe, whiche ſayde ſeuerall actes were then and there made to endure and continue to the ende of the next Parliament, as by the ſame ſeuerall actes more at large it doth and may appeare.

And where alſo at the Seſſion of a parliament by prorogation holden at weſtminſter, the xviij. day of Januarie, in the fifte yeere of our ſayde Soueraigne Lord kyng Edwarde the fyrſt, one acte was then and there made, touchyng the premiſſion and releeſe of the poore, to endure to the ende of the ſeſſion of the next parliament.

And where alſo at the ſame ſeſſion of Parliament laſte before mencioned, one other acte was then and there made againſt regratours and foreſtallers, to endure to the ende of the next Parliament: which al and ſinguler the ſayde actes aboue mencioned, togeather with the ſayd acte concernyng the preſeruation of woodes, at a Parliament holden at weſtminſter the fyrſt day of Marche, in the vii. yeere of the raigne of our ſayde ſoueraigne Lorde kyng Edwarde the fyrſt, and there continued and diſſolued the laſt day of the ſame moneth of Marche, and all clauſes, articles, and premiſſions in them, and euery of them conteyned,

teyned, were there reuiued and continued, to ſtande in theyr force and ſtrength vntyl the laſt day of the next parliament.

And where alſo at the ſeſſion of a Parliament, holden by prorogation at Weſtminſter, the. xxiii. day of October, in the fyfte yeere of the raigne of our moſte gratious Soueraigne Ladye the Queene, and there continued and kept vntyll the diſſolution thereof, one acte was there made and eſtablyſhed againſt vnlawfull and rebellious aſſemblies, to endure to the ende of the next Parliament, as by the ſame acte may playnly dooth and may appeare. And where alſo at the ſame ſeſſion of Parliament laſt before mentioned, all and ſinguler the actes aboue mencioned, and before that tyme continued at ſundry Parliamentes as is aforeſayde, and all clauſes, articles, and prouiſions in them, and euery of them conteyned, were there reuiued and continued to ſtande in their force and ſtrength, vnto the laſt day of the next Parliament.

And foraſmuch as al and ſinguler the ſayd ſeueral actes aboue mentioned, be good and beneficiall for the common wealth of this realme, be it therfore enacted, ordeyned, and eſtabliſhed by the Queene our Soueraigne Lady, with the aſſent of the Lordes ſpirituall and temporall, and the commons of this preſent parliament aſſembled, and by the auctoritie of the ſame, that al and ſinguler the ſayd ſeueral actes and eſtatutes aboue mentioned and rehearſed, and euery of them, and all clauſes, articles, and prouiſions in them, and euery of them conteyned, ſhalbe reuiued, continued, ſtand, and endure in their force and ſtrength, to al intentes, conſtructions, and purpoſes, and ſhalbe obſerued and kept in al thynges, vntyl the laſt day of the next Parliament.

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